Manufacture of communication equipment

1882. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd May 1984 and state whether some international parties of repute have approached the Government of India for the manufacture of communication equipment after Government's new policy on telecommunication ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL) : No international party has approached the Govrenment of India for the manufacture of communication equipment. However, the Government have selected three foreign collaborators for the transfer of technology for Electronic PABX equipment and three other foreign collaborators, for Electronic push button telephone-

Preservation of Eco System of Thar Desert

1883. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) Whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item captioned 'A park in the desert' which appeared in the 'National Herald', New Delhi of the 25th October, 1985;

(b) if so, what efforts are being made to protect and preserve the unique oco-system of Thar Desert with its own flora and fauna; and

(c) the assistance which the Centre propose to render for the development of the fascinating Desert National part ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) For the conservation of the desert flora and fauna and restoration and preservation of the arid land eco system, the State Government of Rajasthan have constituted an area of 3162 Sq. Kms. in th Jaisal-mer and Barmer Districts as a Sanctuary under the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The intention to declare the area as a National park was notified in May, 1981 but the final notification is yet to be issued.

(c) During the Sixth Plan period an amount of Rs. 54.48 lakhs was provided under the Desert Development Programme for the Desert National Park. During 1985-86 an ouday of Rs. 7. 91 lakhs is proposed for this purpose.

Air-water pollution in Kotah, Rajasthan by industries

1884. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) Whether any integrated policy with effective device has been evolved for controlling air, water and noise pollution particularly in. places where large industries have been' set ' up ;

(b) if so,, the broad outlines therof ; and

(c) the measures enforced in Kotah in Rajasthan where a large number of air-water polluting industries are located ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI) : (a) No, Sir

(b) Does riot arise.

(c) The major air and water polluting industries in Kotah have been identified by the State pollution Control Board. Schemes for treatment of wastes have been drawn up and the State Board has issued guidelines as per which all new industries art to take a 'No Objection Certificate' from the State Board. Existing industries are required to obtain a consent order from the Board. Legal action is taken against industries who do not comply.

Progress of Light Combat Aircraft Project

1885. SHRI KAPIL VERMA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the progress of light combat aircraft project to-date and by when it is expected to be ready; and

(b) whether Government propose to raise the outlay on research and development programme to accelerate the progress of the project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH) : (a) The Feasibility Study of the LCA Project has been completed and Air Staff Requirements issued by Air Force after detailed discussions.. Project Definition phase is in hand. The LCA is expected to be inducted in the Air Force in the nineties.

(b) There is no proposal till date to revise the original cost.

Extradition Treaties with Canada and U.S.

1886. SHRI KAPIL VERMA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of terrorists in Canada covered by the extension of Canadian Act, of Extradition to India from Octobor 31; and

(b) whether Government propose to approach the United State also for a similar treaty ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) : (a) The ext nsion of Part II of the Canadian Extradition Act with rt-gard to India as of 31st October 1985 would enable the Government of India to seek the extradition of persons convicted or charged with offences in India committed after 31st October 1985, who are found to be in Canada.

(b) No, Sir. There is an Extradition Treaty between India and the United States of America.

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1887. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

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(ख) उनकी वसूली के लिए सरकार ने अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की है ?

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प्रधान मंत्री की विदेश यात्रा पर व्यय

1888. **श्री हुकमदेव नारायण यादव:** क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

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